## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

WILLIE LEE BENTON,	
Petitioner,	
V.	CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 1:09-CV-1301-TWT
JEFF PEARCE Superintendent,	
Respondent.	

## <u>ORDER</u>

This is a pro se Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus. It is before the Court on the Report and Recommendation [Doc. 2] of the Magistrate Judge recommending denying the Petition. The Petitioner is serving two consecutive life sentences for murder. He was denied parole in 2008. For the reasons set forth in the Report and Recommendation, the Petitioner has no liberty interest in being released on parole and his due process and equal protection claims are without merit. After careful consideration of the Petitioner's Objections, the Court approves and adopts the Report and Recommendation as the judgment of the Court. This action is DISMISSED.

## SO ORDERED, this 19 day of January, 2010.

/s/Thomas W. Thrash THOMAS W. THRASH, JR. United States District Judge